DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

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COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 00/01-10

TO: ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS
   ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
   ALL COUNTY FOSTER CARE EDUCATION PROJECT COORDINATORS
   THE CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE OF CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY
   COLLEGES
   THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES FOUNDATION
   THE FOSTER CARE EDUCATION COORDINATORS OF THE
   CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES
   CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
   COMMUNITY CARE LICENSING COUNTY LIAISONS
   CALIFORNIA STATE FOSTER PARENT ASSOCIATION
   COUNTY AB 2129 PROJECT COORDINATORS

SUBJECT: FOSTER PARENT TRAINING AND RECRUITMENT ALLOCATION
    FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2000/2001

This County Fiscal Letter is to advise the counties that a total of $3,332,000 has been approved for the continuation of the Foster Care Initiative with the passage of the Budget Act of 2000. This initiative was implemented pursuant to Assembly Bill 2129 (Chapter 1089, Statutes of 1993) and Senate Bill 426 (Chapter 892, Statutes of 1993).

For Fiscal Year (FY) 2000/01, $1,624,000 in the State General Fund (SGF) is budgeted for Foster Parent Training and Recruitment. As in prior years, $62,500 in SGF has been set aside from the allocation to fund statewide recruitment and training activities and $20,568 in SGF has been set aside for the California State Foster Parent Conference Contract. The attached provides you with the allocation distribution of the remaining SGF.

Training funds were allocated based on the average monthly number of children placed in out-of-home care, excluding group homes, foster family agencies, and probation. Recruitment funds were allocated based on the average monthly number of children in out-of-home placements, excluding probation. These average monthly figures were based on data from Child Welfare Services Case Management System as reported by counties for the period of October 1999 through May 2000. The funds were adjusted to ensure a $2,000 SGF minimum allocation per county. Additionally, no county received less than they spent in FY 1998/99. There is no county match required for either training or recruitment activities and both are eligible for matching federal Title IV-E funds.

Fiscal Claiming Instructions

In order to claim program funds, all counties must submit a Foster Parent Training and Recruitment Plan for FY 2000/01. The deadline for submission of a county plan is **September 11, 2000**. County plans must be developed in collaboration with their Foster Parent Training and Recruitment Advisory Committees that are comprised of foster parents, community college and county staff. These funds shall only be used to enhance or expand existing programs, or for the development of new programs, and cannot be used to supplant existing programs. The Foster Parent Training and Recruitment Plans must be submitted to:

> California Department of Social Services
> Foster Care Services Bureau
> Foster Care Recruitment and Training Unit
> Attn: Vebra Switzer
> 744 P Street, Mail Station 19-70
> Sacramento, California 95814

The costs for Foster Parent Training and Recruitment are funded with state and federal funds where costs are Title IV-E eligible. The State share of cost for these expenditures is charged against the county's allocation. Costs reported on the County Expense Claim are charged to the allocation as follows:

Program Code	Program Identifier Code	Description
504		AB 2129 Foster Parent Training (75% Fed/25% SGF)
505		AB 2129 Foster Parent Training – NF (100% SGF)
506		AB 2129 Foster Parent Recruitment (50% Fed/50% SGF)
	506055	Contracted Administration
507		AB 2129 Foster Parent Recruitment – NF (100% SGF)
508		State Use Only - Foster Parent – 504 through 507 (Used by CDSS to shift costs claimed in excess of the combined State Training and Recruitment allocation to County share.)

If you have any questions regarding the county plan or the use of these funds, please contact Vebra Switzer of the Foster Care Branch, Recruitment and Training Unit at (916) 323-0592.

Questions on claiming or allocations/controls may be directed as follows:

PROGRAM:	Foster Care Services Bureau	(916) 445-7001
ALLOCATIONS:	County Financial Analysis Bureau	(916) 657-3806
CLAIMING:	Fiscal Policy Bureau	(916) 657-3440

Original Document Signed by
Douglas D. Park on 7/13/2000

DOUGLAS D. PARK, Chief
Financial Planning Branch

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FOSTER PARENT TRAINING AND RECRUITMENT

COUNTIES	00/01 STATE ALLOCATION
Alameda	47,465
Alpine	2,000
Amador	2,000
Butte	7,068
Calaveras	2,000
Colusa	2,000
Contra Costa	78,794
Del Norte	2,000
El Dorado	2,786
Fresno	59,846
Glenn	2,000
Humboldt	20,541
Imperial	3,881
Inyo	2,328
Kern	29,736
Kings	3,031
Lake	2,000
Lassen	2,000
Los Angeles	520,953
Madera	3,360
Marin	2,592
Mariposa	2,000
Mendocino	8,856
Merced	6,021
Modoc	2,000
Mono	2,000
Monterey	5,183
Napa	2,000
Nevada	2,000
Orange	44,354
Placer	19,265
Plumas	2,000
Riverside	56,199
Sacramento	71,157
San Benito	2,000
San Bernardino	71,687
San Diego	124,497
San Francisco	60,874
San Joaquin	36,664
San Luis Obispo	7,057
San Mateo	6,518
Santa Barbara	4,766
Santa Clara	32,487
Santa Cruz	4,027
Shasta	6,575
Sierra	2,000
Siskiyou	2,000
Solano	11,636
Sonoma	95,300
Stanislaus	8,047
Sutter	3,389
Tehama	2,887
Trinity	2,140
Tulare	15,429
Tuolumne	2,000
Ventura	8,417
Yolo	5,101
Yuba	4,019
Total	1,540,933